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INTERNATIONAL CLASS	042
DESCRIPTION	
Providing a website featuring technology enabling users to view, share and download digital photographs; computer services, namely, electronic imaging of photographs	
FILING BASIS	Section 1(b)
GOODS AND/OR SERVICES SECTION (042)(proposed)	
INTERNATIONAL	042

CLASS

TRACKED TEXT DESCRIPTION

Providing a website featuring technology enabling users to view, share and download digital photographs; Providing a website featuring technology enabling users to view, share and download digital photographs featuring vacations, engagements and weddings, for personal use; computer services, namely, electronic imaging of photographs featuring vacations, engagements and weddings, for personal use

FINAL DESCRIPTION

Providing a website featuring technology enabling users to view, share and download digital photographs featuring vacations, engagements and weddings, for personal use; computer services, namely, electronic imaging of photographs featuring vacations, engagements and weddings, for personal use

FILING BASIS	Section 1(b)
SIGNATURE SECTION	
RESPONSE SIGNATURE	/tnb/
SIGNATORY'S NAME	Tamar Niv Bessinger
SIGNATORY'S POSITION	Attorney of Record, New York State Bar Member
DATE SIGNED	10/14/2016
AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY	YES
CONCURRENT APPEAL NOTICE FILED	YES
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To the Commissioner for Trademarks:

Application serial no. **86660632** EPIX(Standard Characters, see http://tmng-al.uspto.gov/resting2/api/img/86660632/large) has been amended as follows:

EVIDENCE

Evidence in the nature of Response to refusal to register the mark based on Section 2(d). has been attached.

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Evidence-1

Evidence-2

Evidence-3

CLASSIFICATION AND LISTING OF GOODS/SERVICES

Applicant proposes to amend the following class of goods/services in the application:

Current: Class 042 for Providing a website featuring technology enabling users to view, share and download digital photographs; computer services, namely, electronic imaging of photographs

Original Filing Basis:

Filing Basis: Section 1(b), Intent to Use: For a trademark or service mark application: As of the application filing date, the applicant had a bona fide intention, and was entitled, to use the mark in commerce on or in connection with the identified goods/services in the application. For a collective trademark, collective service mark, or collective membership mark application: As of the application filing date, the applicant had a bona fide intention, and was entitled, to exercise legitimate control over the use of the mark in commerce by members on or in connection with the identified goods/services/collective membership organization. For a certification mark application: As of the application filing date, the applicant had a bona fide intention, and was entitled, to exercise legitimate control over the use of the mark in commerce by authorized users in connection with the identified goods/services, and the applicant will not engage in the production or marketing of the goods/services to which the mark is applied, except to advertise or promote recognition of the certification program or of the goods/services that meet the certification standards of the applicant.

Proposed:

Tracked Text Description: Providing a website featuring technology enabling users to view, share and download digital photographs;
Providing a website featuring technology enabling users to view, share and download digital photographs featuring vacations, engagements and weddings, for personal use; computer services, namely, electronic imaging of photographs featuring vacations, engagements and weddings, for personal use

Class 042 for Providing a website featuring technology enabling users to view, share and download digital photographs featuring vacations, engagements and weddings, for personal use; computer services, namely, electronic imaging of photographs featuring vacations, engagements and weddings, for personal use

Filing Basis: Section 1(b), Intent to Use: For a trademark or service mark application: As of the application filing date, the applicant had a bona fide intention, and was entitled, to use the mark in commerce on or in connection with the identified goods/services in the application. For a collective trademark, collective service mark, or collective membership mark application: As of the application filing date, the applicant had a bona fide intention, and was entitled, to exercise legitimate control over the use of the mark in commerce by members on or in connection with the identified goods/services/collective membership organization. For a certification mark application: As of the application filing date, the applicant had a bona fide intention, and was entitled, to exercise legitimate control over the use of the mark in commerce by authorized users in connection with the identified goods/services, and the applicant will not engage in the production or marketing of the goods/services to which the mark is applied, except to advertise or promote recognition of the certification program or of the goods/services that meet the certification standards of the applicant.

SIGNATURE(S)

Request for Reconsideration Signature

Signature: /tnb/ Date: 10/14/2016 Signatory's Name: Tamar Niv Bessinger

Signatory's Position: Attorney of Record, New York State Bar Member

The signatory has confirmed that he/she is an attorney who is a member in good standing of the bar of the highest court of a U.S. state, which includes the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and other federal territories and possessions; and he/she is currently the owner/s/holder's attorney or an associate thereof; and to the best of his/her knowledge, if prior to his/her appointment another U.S. attorney or a Canadian attorney/agent not currently associated with his/her company/firm previously represented the owner/holder in this matter: (1) the owner/holder has filed or is concurrently filing a signed revocation of or substitute power of attorney with the USPTO; (2) the USPTO has granted the request of the prior representative to withdraw; (3) the owner/holder has filed a power of attorney appointing him/her in this matter; or (4) the owner/s/holder's appointed U.S. attorney or Canadian attorney/agent has filed a power of attorney appointing him/her as an associate attorney in this matter.

The applicant is filing a Notice of Appeal in conjunction with this Request for Reconsideration.

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Argument for Response to Office Action, EPIX, SN 86/660,632

Registration in Class 42 only has been refused based on U.S. Reg. No 4,210,817 for EPIX (the "Cited Mark") by Fidelity National Card Services, on the grounds of likelihood of confusion. Due to the differences in the target consumers—commercial customers versus individual end consumers—confusion is not likely. Applicant thus respectfully requests that the citation be withdrawn.

The Cited Mark is registered for:

Computer services, namely, custom electronic imaging of photographs, artwork, images, or other visual media onto customized credit, debit, incentive, loyalty, gift, and greeting cards, and electronic imaging of photographs, artwork, images, or other visual media onto carriers for all of the foregoing; photographic computer imaging services for commercial use

Applicant has now amended its Class 42 services to:

"Providing a website featuring technology enabling users to view, share and download digital photographs *featuring vacations*, *engagements and weddings*, *for personal use*; computer services, namely, electronic imaging of photographs *featuring vacations*, *engagements and weddings*, *for personal use*."

It is apparent from the ID of the Cited Mark that the mark is used for services for commercial customers and not for individual end consumers. Based on the first clause of the ID, "custom electronic imaging of photographs, artwork, images, or other visual media onto customized credit, debit, incentive, loyalty, gift, and greeting cards," it is clear that the customers for such services are businesses such as banks that would have their own marks or logos printed onto credit cards, loyalty and gift cards and the like. These are not services that a non-commercial customer would ever receive. Moreover, the last clause of the ID, "photographic computer imaging services for commercial use" explicitly states that the services are for commercial use. Indeed, registrant's website http://www.fisglobal.com/empoweredclients shows

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that many of its clients—indeed all client profiled under the "Client Stories" page of its website, are banks and financial institutions (See screenshot at Exhibit A).

In sharp contrast, the updated ID for Applicant's mark explicitly provides that its services are for *personal use* only, and specifically feature photos of vacations, engagements, and weddings, which are clearly *personal* experiences.

Because the target consumers for services under the Cited Mark and Applicant's mark, are mutually exclusive, consumers will never encounter both marks for the respective services, and therefore there is no potential for confusion. Moreover, based on the vast differences in target markets, it logically follows that such services will be advertised and delivered through mutually exclusive channels of trade.

Based on the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests that the blocking citation be withdrawn, and the application forwarded for publication.

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Exhibit A

http://www.fisglobal.com/empoweredclients

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